

ANDERSEN CORPORATION
BAYPORT, MINNESOTA

Andersen Corporation of Bayport, Minnesota manufactures durable, energy efficient, high performance windows and patio doors. Manufacturing and related processes include: wood cutting and milling, wood preservative application, painting, vinyl processing, adhesive operations, by-product transfer, wood-fired boilers, assembly operations, technology development, production support, and maintenance functions. Andersen sponsors an EPA Project XL project and also participates in EPA's 33/50 and Energy Star programs. In 1997, it received the Minnesota Governor's Award for Excellence in Pollution Prevention and Waste Reduction and the Minnesota Waste Wise Smart Business Award. In addition, Andersen's core products are certified by Green Seal.

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector:	Manufacturing
Business:	Manufactures durable, energy efficient, high performance windows and patio doors
Facility Employees:	More than 1,000
Accomplishments:	Reduced TRI releases Reduced solid waste
2003 Commitments:	Reduce emissions of VOCs Restore habitat Reduce VOC facility cap Improve product sustainability
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ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

Andersen has demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance in the areas of toxic releases and solid waste. Since 1997, the facility has:

- **Reduced reportable TRI releases** by 45% through pollution prevention projects to reduce or eliminate hazardous chemicals from purchased materials.
- **Reduced solid waste** by 13% per unit produced through source reduction, source separation, and recycling projects. The facility has also focused on material utilization to reduce special landfilled waste streams.

Future Commitments

Andersen also committed to continued environmental improvement through reducing emissions of VOCs and the VOC facility cap, restoring habitat, and improving the sustainability of its products. By 2003, the facility will:

- **Reduce emissions of VOCs** by 7.6% per cubic foot of product through installing more waterborne preservative systems and converting more core product profiles from wood to Fibrex.
- **Restore habitat** by completing an ongoing project of restoring native prairie grasses to 5 acres by eradicating exotic plant species and executing controlled burns.
- **Reduce VOC facility cap** by 88%. Reductions will be achieved through continuous improvements in process efficiency and pollution prevention. This commitment reflects the facility's Project XL agreement with EPA.

- **Improve product sustainability** by committing to give preference to wood supplies from forests certified to Forest Stewardship Council or equivalent standards. The facility will work with suppliers and the certified Forest Products Council to increase the supply of certified wood available for Andersen products. The facility also has committed to not source wood from endangered forests.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Andersen Corporation has an Andersen Community Advisory Committee (CAC) which meets at least 4 times a year. The Andersen Community Update newsletter is sent out at least twice a year. Contact phone numbers to whom concerns can be addressed are published. Andersen informs the community through CAC meetings, CAC member calls, the Community Update newsletter, letters to residents, and releases to the news media. The Performance Track Annual Performance Report will be available on the website, at CAC meeting presentations, and in Community Update newsletter articles.